



Resource Guide

V.8

2025 Statistics



Social Media Followers

2025 (FB + IG)

3,982

2024 (FB + IG)

3,648

+334
OVERALL
FOLLOWERS

CARD HOLDERS

6,434



Patron Favorite:

TRUNK OR TREAT



TOP TITLES

ADULT BOOK:
ALL THE
COLORS
OF THE DARK
BY CHRIS
WHITAKER

TEEN BOOK:

DEMON
SLAYER BY
KOYOHARU
GOTÔGE

KID'S BOOK:

CAT KID
COMIC CLUB
BY DAV
PILKEY

VIDEO:

WICKED

THING:
MOBILE
HOT
SPOT

MEETING ROOM RESERVATIONS

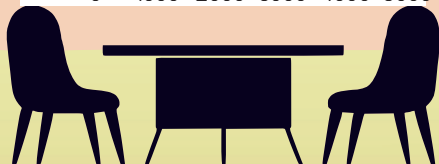
2025

4,276

2024

2,942

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COMPUTER USE

2025

11,478

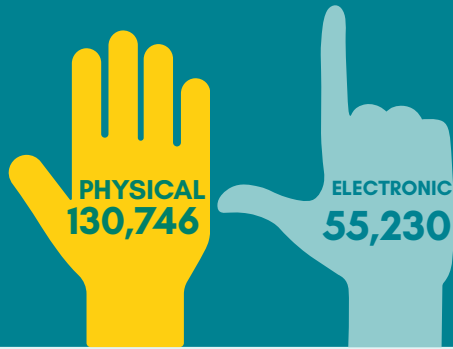
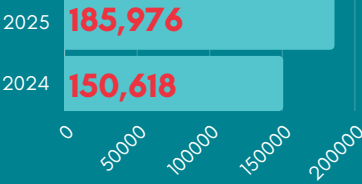
2024

5,454

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CHECKOUTS

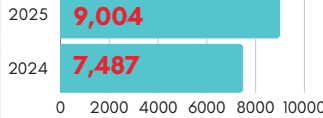


Patron Comments

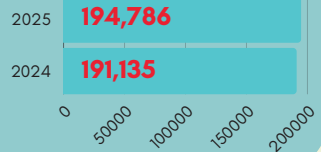
"The library does a great job!!! As a black mom in the area I love that my kids always feel seen in the activities and books in the library. Your team are also very kind and helpful. Thank you also for standing up and leading with inclusive values. The library is a shining star in the community."

"Thank you so much for providing the book bag service! It is challenging to find books for a 6th grade boy and your selections he will always try and typically really enjoys."

QUESTIONS ?



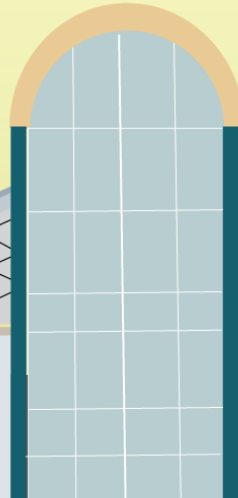
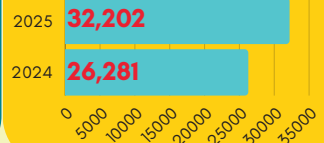
ITEMS OWNED



EVENTS OFFERED



ATTENDANCE



Using the Library

Library Cards

Residents of La Grange Park can apply for a library card by visiting the circulation desk at the library with proof of residency or property ownership. Parents or guardians are responsible for materials checked out on their children's cards.

Residents of La Grange Park and teachers in District 102 can also apply for a library card remotely. Find out how at:
lplibrary.org/services

Room Reservations

Reserve one of our new study rooms or the Mary Lou Hurley Community Room online or give us a call at **(708) 352-0100**.

Rooms can be reserved for up to three hours per day.

Book Club Materials

Do you host a book club and need access to free, monthly materials? Let us order your books and make it easy for members to pick up the group's selection of print or audio materials.

Get in touch with us today to set up this ongoing service for your club.

Call us at **(708) 352-0100** or email us at **info@lplibrary.org**

Podcast Room/ Digitization Station

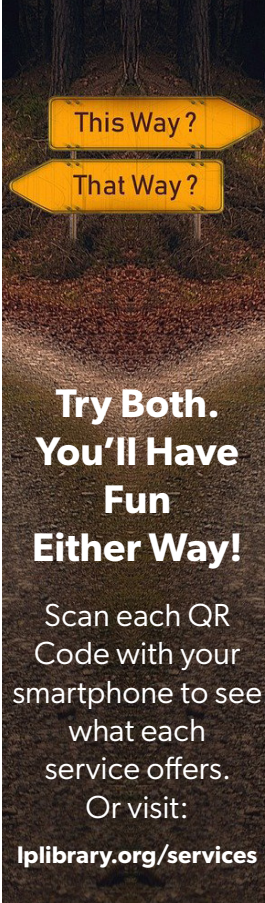
Create and record audio or video using professional podcast equipment. The room also includes a digitization station to convert tapes, records, photos, slides, documents, and film into digital files you can save or burn to disc. To reserve a time to use the equipment, please contact the Adult Services Desk.





Explore More Illinois

Check out admission discounts for numerous museums and cultural attractions, including the Griffin Museum of Science and Industry and the Morton Arboretum.



Try Both. You'll Have Fun Either Way!

Scan each QR Code with your smartphone to see what each service offers.
Or visit:
lplibrary.org/services



Museum Adventure Pass

Cardholders may check out passes that offer discounts at more than 20 area museums and cultural centers.

Cardholders may now also request passes remotely, 24/7.



Collections

Library of Things

The library offers an amazing collection of technology, kitchen, and recreational items you can check out with your library card! Visit lplibrary.org/things for a list. Need internet access at home or for a trip? Check out our WiFi hotspots for 2 weeks, which can connect devices to high speed internet.



Physical Materials

Most items circulate for 3 weeks and automatically renew for up to 6 more weeks. Hot Picks, Library of Things items, and Children's Activity Boxes circulate for 2 weeks with no renewals.

- Books
- Audiobooks
- Movies & TV on DVD and Blu-Ray
- Music CDs
- Video games for current consoles
- Magazines
- Kits and tabletop games

Digital Content



Libby.

Libby offers tens of thousands of eBooks, downloadable audiobooks, and magazines for your touchscreen device or eReader.



Access an enormous array of eBooks, audiobooks, music, movies, TV, and comics with Hoopla.

kanopy

Films that matter

Stream critically acclaimed collections of popular films, documentaries, and classic cinema with Kanopy.



**The
Palace
Project**

The Palace Project is a large collection of eBooks and audiobooks.

Events

Event Calendar

View a complete schedule and register for upcoming events at **lplibrary.org/events**

Book Clubs

We offer monthly book clubs for most age groups.

Get more information at:
lplibrary.org/events

Reading Programs

Patrons are encouraged to read to win prizes in our seasonal reading programs. All age groups are included.

Information is available at:
lplibrary.org

Board Meetings

Board meetings are held monthly on the 3rd Wednesday at 7pm. The board discusses general business and financial matters and passes policies. The public are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Board meetings are held at:

La Grange Park Public Library
Mary Lou Hurley Community Room
555 N. La Grange Road
La Grange Park, IL 60526



OUR MISSION

The La Grange Park Library is a welcoming and inclusive community center connecting residents to informational, cultural, and educational resources.

OUR VISION

Enriching lives.

Research & Office Services

Databases Access these and more at lplibrary.org/research



- Get the latest product reviews with the Consumer Reports website.



- Mango offers interactive lessons for learning dozens of languages.



- Research your family roots with Ancestry Library Edition and FamilySearch (in-library use only).



- NovelList can help you find your next great read.



- Advance your career and build skills with expert-led courses on LinkedIn Learning.



- Access information on millions of businesses and consumers

Print/Copy/Fax

Computers with internet access and Microsoft Office are available for in-library use. Print from our devices or yours! Prints, photocopies, faxes, and scans are available at no charge.

Consider a small donation to help keep these services free for all!



Notary

Notaries are available most open hours.

Call us at **(708) 352-0100** to make sure we'll be able to assist you.



Accessibility

Homebound Delivery

La Grange Park residents confined to care facilities or their homes may be eligible to receive delivery of library materials every other Saturday through Community Assisted Rides (CARS). Call our Circulation Department at **(708) 352-0100, ext. 1**, to arrange for delivery.

Talking Books

The Library of Congress via the Illinois State Library provides audio and braille books by mail to residents unable to read standard print materials. Contact us for more information or to certify an application.

Learn More

As part of our continued mission to serve as a functional and inclusive community center, the La Grange Park Library has compiled a list of services, materials, and resources currently available to make visiting the library a welcoming experience for all: **lplibrary.org/accessibility**



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Friday at 10am.**

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La Grange Park Public Library's
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
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shelves**



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tiktok.com/@lplibrary

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Gabe Oppenheim
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Young Adult Department
teens@lplibrary.org

Circulation Department
circulation@lplibrary.org

Children's Department
childrens@lplibrary.org

Adult Department
info@lplibrary.org



The library takes
donations of books,
audiobooks, magazines,
movies, and music
for use in our

Book Shop



Please leave donations in the
green bins opposite the Circulation Desk.





Children's

Activity Boxes

The Children's Services Department offers a variety of activity boxes in different themes such as Wild Animals, Let's Learn Spanish, Coping Skills, and many more. Visit the department to browse or ask a staff member for assistance.

Get a Suggestion

Is your child not sure what they want to read next? Or do you need a bundle of books? Just fill out the form on the Kids page of our website and we'll have a stack of books ready for you to pick up from our hold shelf.

You can also call us at
(708) 352-0100, ext. 4
or email us at:
childrens@plibrary.org

Department Offerings

There is always fun to be had in the Children's Services Department! Visit us to "Find the Character" and win a prize, play educational games on our computers, do a craft, and enjoy our play area.

Educate Station

Educate Station provides ready-to-use, hands-on activities for kids to do at home or at school. Content is created by a team of experienced and passionate educators who bring vast subject-matter expertise, teaching credentials, and many years of experience as classroom teachers and curriculum developers.

Quiet Room

Need a quiet place to nurse? Or does your child need a break from the hustle and bustle of the library? Check in at the Children's Services Desk to use the Quiet Room.

Facebook & YouTube

Visit our Facebook page and our Children's YouTube channel for story times, crafts, and other fun virtual programs.



1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

Get ready to read! 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten is an initiative to prepare every child with as many literacy skills as possible before they start school. Sign up at the Children's Services Desk.

Scan this QR Code to explore even more of what we offer on our Kids' Page or visit:

lplibrary.org/kids

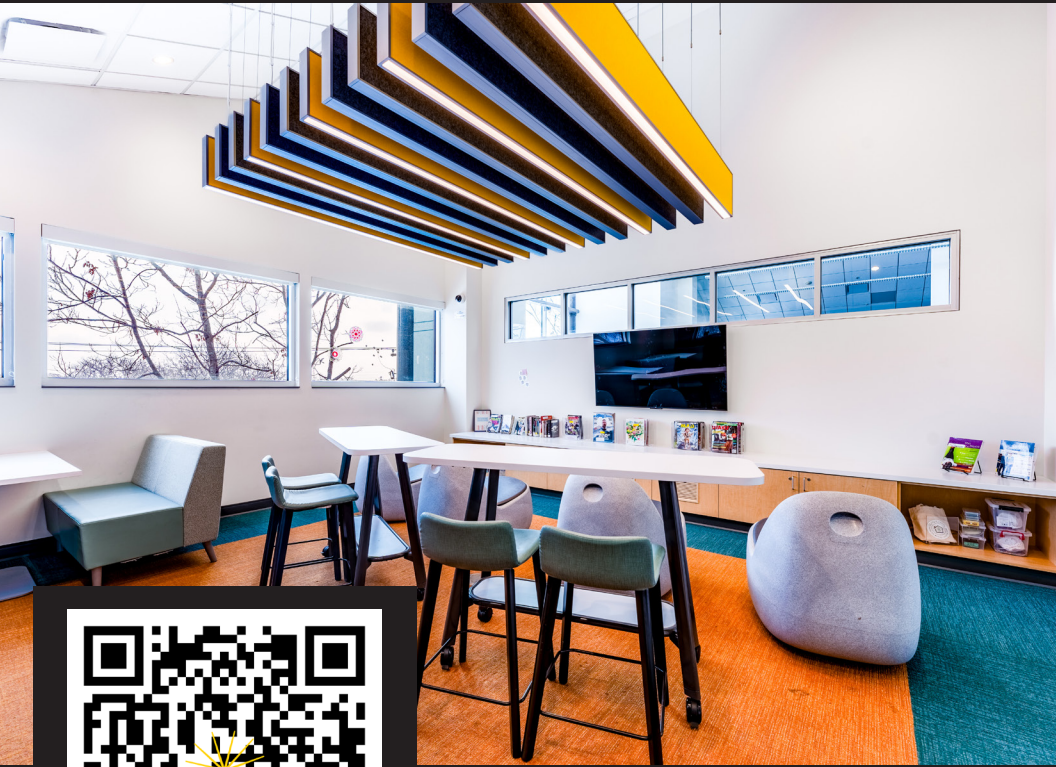
Topics to Talk About

Books are a helpful way to introduce difficult topics to children. Our Topics to Talk About section features books that facilitate conversation and include helpful resources for caregivers.

This section is located within our picture book collection and staff are always happy to help you find what you need.



Teens



Scan the QR Code or visit **lplibrary.org/teens** to stay current on all things related to the Teen Department, including volunteer opportunities.

Get a Suggestion

Receive a personalized reading list from our teen librarian.

Teen Book Bags

Get customized bags of books, snacks, and trinkets every month (or a frequency of your choosing). Send an email to **teens@lplibrary.org** for a Book Bag form.

Mental Health Resources

Stop by our Mental Health Corner for resources on local support groups and organizations. We also have items for checkout that help build coping skills and ease stress.

Adults



Technology Help

Need to print, fax, or scan?
Want to learn how to check
out eBooks and downloadable
audiobooks? Visit the Adult
Reference Desk for expert
assistance!

Book Bags

Get snacks and personalized
books every month. Fill out a
short form, available at the Adult
Reference Desk, to get started.

Scan this QR Code to
learn more about these
and other services
on our Adult Page or visit:
lplibrary.org/adults





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YOUR LIBRARY CARD



Oh!

the possibilities...

- Check out items from nearly any library in Illinois
- Stream thousands of movies and TV shows
- Download thousands of eBooks and audiobooks
- Get personalized book selections, with snacks
- Get discounts for great cultural destinations
- Check out a video game. . . or a gaming console
- See if air fryers are all they're cracked up to be

Need a library card?

Visit our circulation desk or register online with the link located at **lplibrary.org/services**

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